GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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DISCONTINUATION OF CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEME FOR SPORTS
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has discontinued the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Sports and transferred the same to State plan scheme ;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reasons for discontinuation of the same ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) & (b) : The Government had decided to transfer the Sports Infrastructure Schemes to the State sector w.e.f. 1.4.2005 and accordingly no allocations have been made in the budget for 2005-06 for sports infrastructure. As such , the fresh sports infrastructure projects have to be funded by the State Governments out of their own resources. All State Government have accordingly been informed on 28.2.2005.

(c) The Sports Infrastructure Schemes have been identified for transfer to the State sector as part of the general exercise to reduce the number of Centrally Sponsored Schemes. However, Planning Commission has recently informed that funds to the extent of the committed liabilities will be provided for completion of ongoing sanctioned projects under the Sports Infrastructure Schemes during the 10th Five Year Plan.